EXECUTIVE ORDER 66-9

DECLARATION OF VACANCY IN THE ARIZONA HIGHWAY PATROL

Gregory O. Hathaway, appointed Superintendent of the Arizona Highway Patrol May 5, 1950 has been absent from his duties for more than four months, and absent from duty with increasing frequency over the past few years. He has repeatedly declared his intention to retire from this post and is permanently unable, due to severe physical disability, to provide effective leadership for the Patrol.

The Patrol is therefore leaderless and not under the control of lawfully appointed authority at a time when highway fatalities have reached a tragic and unprecedented height.

I therefore have declared under Arizona law, a vacancy exists in the post of Superintendent of the Arizona Highway Patrol and that it is in the best interest of the people of Arizona that a new superintendent be appointed forthwith.

Signed:

Witness:

WESLEY BOLIN Secretary of State

SAMUEL P. GODDARD Governor of Arizona

Date:

December 23, 1966